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SUBJECT: PROPOSED IAEA TRANSFER OF FOUR MICROCURIES
PU-236 TO USSR FOR IAEA SAFEGUARDS RESEARCH PROJECT

REF: IAEA VIENNA 1702

1. AS MISSION AWARE, U.S. IN PRINCIPLE DOES NOT WISH TO
TAKE ANY ACTIONS WHICH MIGHT BE CONSTRUED AS APPROVING
SEPARATION OF PLUTONIUM, PENDING DELINEATION OF OVERALL
U.S. POLICY IN THIS AREA.

2. HOWEVER, U.S. RECOGNIZES IMPORTANCE, IN ONGOING PROGRAM
TO STRENGTHEN IAEA SAFEGUARDS, OF CONTINUOUS R AND D ON
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TECHNIQUES FOR APPLICATION OF SAFEGUARDS TO SNM, INCLUDING
PLUTONIUM. AGENCY RESEARCH PROJECT FOR DEVELOPING RADIO-
METRIC METHOD OF ANALYZING PLUTONIUM, AS DESCRIBED REFTTEL
AND ROMETSCH FEBRUARY 23 LETTER, APPEARS USEFUL IN THIS
CONNECTION.

3. CONSEQUENTLY, MISSION MAY ADVISE AGENCY THAT U.S. HAS

NO OBJECTION TO IAEA'S TRANSFERRING THE FOUR MICROCURIES
OF PU-236 TO USSR UNDER AGENCY RESPONSIBILITY FOR PURPOSE
OF CONDUCTING THIS PROJECT, ON UNDERSTANDING THAT THIS

MATERIAL WILL REMAIN SUBJECT TO U.S.-IAEA AGREEMENT
FOR COOPERATION.

4. U.S. NOTES THAT AGENCY HAS REQUESTED CONFIRMATION
THAT USSR GOVERNMENT IS PREPARED TO UNDERTAKE THAT THIS
MATERIAL WILL BE USED SOLELY FOR PEACEFUL PURPOSES AND
THAT ANY MATERIAL REMAINING AFTER COMPLETION OF AGREED
WORK WOULD BE RETURNED TO AGENCY.
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